



# PEACE EDUCATION



**P**eace is the practice of love. Peace is the hope and longing all people share as they look to the future.

In this teacher's guide 160 peace education activities for children give clear, easy-to-follow instructions for Peace Classes, starting with building friendship, developing virtues, becoming a peace-maker, and leading to an understanding of how to work for world peace.

This book is based on the belief in and understanding of the role of religion in educating children and forming values and morals. Quotations from the religions of the world, philosophers and peace-makers illustrate and explain our common longing for peace.

Peace Classes teach our children that we must:


- ✓ Help each other solve problems
- ✓ Work together
- ✓ Depend on each other
- ✓ Respect all people and care for nature
- ✓ Think globally and act locally

In the Bible we read: "*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God*". Mahatma Gandhi teaches us that "*non-violence is the greatest force that man has been endowed with*". Such teachings can help form the feelings and character of children at an early age, giving them a positive understanding of and belief in the power of peace.

Each and every school should, with determination and enthusiasm, arrange peace education classes for its children. This is the challenge before us. This is the challenge New Era Development Institute has addressed, and this book is the fruit of its efforts.

*"The well-being of mankind, its peace and security, are unattainable unless and until its unity is firmly established."*

- from the Bahá'í Writings



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